

LATHAM'S HARD TRIP

Subsisted on Rubber Boots and "Dago Red."

THE TALE OF GERALD C.

Schooner's Water Gave Out and Sails Split by Heavy Gales at Sea—Changes in Channel Cans—General Marine News.

Fisher Bros.' schooner Gerald C found her way in yesterday after an exciting experience of some days with adverse gales. The Gerald C left out for Nehalem, Yaquina and Alsea, but when she neared Nehalem she found it much too rough to attempt to go in and stood out to sea. A gale picked her up, and when they stopped running she was north to Destruction is land. They tried to return, but the weather compelled Captain Latham to heave to, and they laid off the coast in company with the Zampa and another vessel since Wednesday. While coming in the Gerald C struck a dead calm for a little while, and when another gale struck her it tore the main sail full of holes and carried away part of another sail.

The Gerald C carried little water and this soon gave out. The coffee failed first, however, and Captain Latham says after they had warmed up the "grounds" for three days they put in a small piece of rubber boot and the quality of the brew was much improved. When the water gave out things looked dark until Latham remembered him of sundry cases of beer and a cask of Dago red in the hold. These were broached and with canned goods the mess resembled a brewers' picnic until they got into the harbor yesterday morning. Barring the injury to the sails the vessel is not damaged and will leave out again today or tomorrow if the weather permits.

General Marine Notes.

The German ship Christel left up the river yesterday in tow to discharge a part cargo she carried for Balfour, Guthrie & Co.

The steamer Francis Leggett arrived in yesterday morning with freight and passengers from California ports. On her way she sighted the Sue Elmore, which was having a more or less strenuous time off Nehalem.

The schooner Andy Mahoney arrived down the river with a cargo of lumber for California, and was towed to sea yesterday afternoon.

The schooner Irene was towed to sea with a cargo of lumber for San Pedro yesterday morning.

The revenue cutter Perry is still out in search of the Melville Dollar, which reached Seattle safely. The Perry will probably find her chase when she puts into the sound.

Commander L. C. Heilner, United States navy, inspector of this light-house district, has announced the following changes in the buoys at the mouth of the river: Columbia river, pages 50 and 56—Outer buoy, a PS first class can, was moved January 7 and is now in 53 feet of water about 1/2 mile NW 1/2 W of its former position. Peacock spit buoy No. O, a black first class can, found missing January 7, was replaced the same day. Inner buoy, a PS first class nun, was established January 9, in 25 feet of water on the inner edge of the bar. South channel shoal buoy, a HS first class can, was discontinued January 9, the shoal spot which it formerly marked having disappeared. Peacock spit buoy No. J, a black first class can, found missing January 6, was replaced the same day. East side of middle ground buoy No. 6, a red first class spar, found missing December 26, was replaced the same day.

THE GAMBLING LAW.

The Bill Introduced Does Not Change the Present Law Much.

For the benefit of the large number of people interested, we publish the new gambling law introduced in the legislature.

Section 1. Any person who shall conduct, carry on, open, or cause to be opened, either as owner, proprietor, employe or assistant or in any manner whatsoever, whether for hire or not, any game of faro, monte, roulette, rouge et noir, lansquenet, rondo, vint-gun (twenty-one), poker, draw poker, brig, bluff, thaw, tan or banking or other game played with cards dice or other device, or any slot machine or other gambling device, whether the same be played or operated for money, checks, credits or any other representatives or things of value, in any house, room, shop or other building whatsoever, boat, booth, garden or other place, where persons resort for the purpose of playing, dealing or operating any such game, machine or device, shall be guilty of felony, and on conviction thereof shall be imprisoned in the penitentiary for the period of

not less than one year nor more than three years.

The bill is not what was anticipated. It makes no change in the present law, except that instead of making gambling a misdemeanor, it makes it a felony. Such a law will not meet with the approval of the people of Astoria, at least. If a law making gambling a misdemeanor cannot be enforced, a law making it a felony cannot be enforced. Public sentiment in Astoria is strongly against any such measure. It is not at all like the Washington law, and even that law is not enforced in Washington. Gambling is being carried on today under the very nose of the legislature and no attempt is made to enforce it. Unless these laws are to be enforced they had better not be enacted. No law contrary to public sentiment will be enforced and laws backed up by a mock sentimentality are worse than useless.

Bids Opened.

Bids were opened yesterday by the committee on ways and means for doing the city printing for the years 1905-6. Four bids were submitted as follows:

Budget—10 cents per inch first insertion; 5 cents per inch each subsequent insertion.

Herald—5 cents per inch first insertion; 4 cents each subsequent insertion.

News—5 cents per inch first insertion; 4 cents each subsequent insertion.

Astorian—7 cents first insertion; 5 cents each subsequent insertion.

The bids were a tie between the Herald and News. The Herald withdrew in favor of the News and the contract will probably be awarded to it.

Bids were opened for stationary and legal blanks, and was a tie between the News and Astorian. The committee awarded the city printing to the News and the printing of stationary and legal blanks to the Astorian.

The price paid for city printing heretofore has been 42 cents for the first insertion and 18 cents for each subsequent insertion. At the new contract, the city will save about \$1000 a year in printing legal notices.

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REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE

Astoria National Bank

At Astoria in the State of Oregon, at the close of business, January 11, 1905.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and discounts	\$330,919 07
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	9,834 56
U. S. bonds to secure circulation	12,500 00
Premiums on U. S. bonds	750 00
Stocks, securities, etc.	50,138 87
Banking house, furniture and fixtures	2,500 00
Other real estate owned	4,375 00
Due from national banks (not reserve agents)	2,842 64
Due from state banks and bankers	22,823 99
Due from approved reserve agents	72,149 99
Checks and other cash items	2,345 00
Notes of other national banks	100 00
Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents	654 16
Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, viz:	
Specie	\$61,989 90
Legal-tender notes	61 00
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Redemption fund with U. S. treasurer (5 per cent circulation)	625 00
Total	\$574,609 18
LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in	\$ 50,000 00
Surplus fund	10,000 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	26,713 38
National bank notes outstanding	11,900 00
Individual deposits subject to check	\$231,150 93
Demand certificates of deposit	33,503 11
Time certificates of deposit	211,341 78
Total	\$574,609 18

State of Oregon, county of Clatsop,

I, J. E. Higgins, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

J. E. HIGGINS, Cashier. Subscribed and sworn to before me this 18th day of January, 1905.

A. R. CYRUS, Notary Public. (Seal) Correct—Attest: GEO. H. GEORGE, A. SCHERNECKAUR, GEORGE W. WARREN, Directors.

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The "Astoria Champion" Clothier

AND

Their "PORTLAND PROFESSIONAL."

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And how their advertising man does bray.
They thought that he could do up WISE,
But soon they found to their surprise
That HERMAN was no easy mark,
And that is why these poodles bark.
Their Portland man does very fair,
But with WISE he can't compare.
Wise hit 'em in a tender spot
And that is why they are so hot.
It's very well to hire a tool,
But the public is no fool.
When HERMAN WISE begins a sale,
He makes all fakirs turn quite pale.
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